

Adventures Every Day Outdoor Learning Winter Break 2024/25

Programme Overview

Adventures Every Day offers a drop-off nature immersion program to students 4 to 12 years old. Repeated access to trails and wooded areas will promote good physical, mental, social and emotional health, while teaching understanding of our place in the web of life. Students will build life skills such as resilience while being outdoors in all kinds of weather, spatial awareness while negotiating forest trails, social competency while practising sharing ideas and objects, and self confidence while assessing and taking risks in the physical environment. All of these experiences will take place in the presence of at least one experienced and caring adult. The maximum student to educator ratio is 6:1.

Pick-up and drop-off

Drop off is at 8:50 at Earl Kitchener School Playground (300 Dundurn St. S)

Kids will be returned to Earl Kitchener Playground for pick-up at 3:50 or dismissed from here to walk home.

Sites

Our sites will be the Earl Kitchener Playground, Churchill Park including the playground, fields, perimeter trail and trees near the former Aviary. Westdale Library or the Tim Horton's at 951 King St. W. will serve as our bathrooms and warming areas. Occasionally, we may venture to McMaster University Art Gallery and access bathrooms and eat lunch at the Student Centre.

Travel between Earl Kitchener and Westdale will be by HSR (Aberdeen Bus). Travel in Churchill park and Westdale will be on foot.

Registration and Refund Policy

Payment in full is required before the first day of the session. There will be no refund for absences due to illness, injury or other spontaneously arising personal circumstances. Cancellations caused by weather will be refunded or credited.

Safety Plan

I have up-to-date First Aid training and carry a stocked First-Aid kit with me. I have a cell phone with coverage in the areas I visit with kids and I make sure at least one child knows the lock code of my phone and can access it in an emergency. I have done site risk-assessments for the Churchill Park/RBG south shore sites and continue to monitor weather and environmental conditions and be mindful of risks to staff and participants.